April 30, 2008

Mr. Joe Edmiston **Executive Director** Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy 5750 Ramirez Canyon Road Malibu, California 90265

Dear Mr. Edmiston,

We are writing to make a very special request on behalf of our late friend and colleague, Hunter Allen, who passed away last week. As you may know, Hunter was instrumental in protecting and preserving Ahmanson Ranch (the Upper Las Virgenes Canyon Open Space). The project was his passion and one of his proudest professional accomplishments. Hunter devoted himself to this cause, working all hours of the day, seven days a week to defeat Washington Mutual's plans to develop the land. Whether he was speaking at community meetings, busing groups of concerned citizens to the bank's stockholder meeting in Seattle, or organizing protesters in Ventura and Los Angeles Counties, Hunter was the driving force and heart behind the campaign.

Hunter was a brilliant individual and an active agent of change unwilling to sit on the sidelines passively waiting for others to make the world a better place. We would like others to be able to recognize Hunter's achievements and allow those visiting the park to see how one individual can make a difference in protecting our environment. We request that the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy dedicate a trail in Hunter's name at the park he so loved. Hunter's memorial service is this Saturday, May 3rd; we cannot think of a better way to honor his memory than to announce this tribute while friends and family gather to remember him. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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